

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.**

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2009**, upon the application of **EL PASO E&P COMPANY, LP.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A and the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A**, in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit in accordance with Section 10, Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate a unit operator of, and a unit well for, the proposed unit as may be appropriate.
4. To propose that future wells drilled to the Lower Cotton Valley Zone within or outside of the unit proposed herein be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
5. To define the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, as the stratigraphic equivalent of that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 12,440' and 16,105' in the EOG Resources, Inc. (formerly J-W Operating Co.)-Davis Bros 20 No. 1 Well, located in Section 20, Township 16 North, Range 4 West.
6. To expand the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 78-60, effective March 26, 2002, authorizing downhole combination of production from the Hosston B Zone, Reservoir A, and the Hosston C Zone, Reservoir A, with respect to the previously created units for these zones which are identical to proposed LCV RA SUA and previously created CV RA SUB, so as to include production from the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, and the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in any well in which the interests in the units from which production is to be combined downhole are identical.
7. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize a substitute unit well for CV RA SUB, at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application.
8. To find that a substitute unit well for CV RA SUB is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, underlying CV RA SUB which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such unit.
9. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A was defined in Order No. 78-O, effective June 1, 1968.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge and Shreveport**, Louisiana.

[www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm](http://www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm).

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

**BY ORDER OF:**

**JAMES H. WELSH**  
**COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION**

Baton Rouge, LA

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